

Remarks

The office action mailed February 26, 2007 has been reviewed and these remarks are responsive thereto. Claims 3-11, 14-22 and 25-40 are pending and stand rejected. Claims 1, 2, 12, 13, 23 and 24 are canceled herein.

The office action rejected claims 3-11, 14-22 and 25-40 for obviousness-type double patenting over the claims of U.S. Patent 6,708,313. With this amendment Applicants are submitting a terminal disclaimer with regard to U.S. Patent 6,708,313, thereby obviating this ground for rejection. Applicants note that submission of a terminal disclaimer is not an admission that the pending claims are in fact obvious over the claims of U. S. Patent 6,708,313. Applicants further note that the office action makes statements regarding the disclosures of the independent claims that mixes recitations of some claims in contravention of the actual claim language.¹ Each independent claim should be construed based solely on the language of that claim.

It is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner believe that anything further is desirable in order to place the application in even better form for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative at the below-listed number.

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¹ For example, the office action states at pages 2-3 that “[c]laims 3, 11, 14, 22, 25, 33, 34, 39 and 40 in the application disclose a method/server/program for editing a printed circuit board (PCB) master design during an editing session throughout which each of first and second users may edit a PCB master design and view edits made to the same PCB master design by the other of the first and second users during the editing session, comprising: transmitting at least a portion of the PCB master design to the first and second users at respective first and second clients...” Claim 34 does not recite such a “transmitting...” step.